

## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently amended) A self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~{1, 15, 22}~~ comprising at least a first row ~~{9}~~ of rolling elements ~~{11}~~ and comprising a second row ~~{10}~~ of rolling elements ~~{11}~~ adjacent to the first row ~~{9}~~ of rolling elements ~~{11}~~, each of the rows ~~{9, 10}~~ having balls ~~{5}~~ and rollers ~~{6}~~ disposed peripherally about a center axis of the self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~{1, 15, 22}~~ and the balls ~~{5}~~ in this case having a smallest external diameter ~~{28}~~ which is greater than a largest external diameter ~~{8}~~ of the rollers ~~{6}~~; the self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~{1, 15, 22}~~ further comprising, respectively, an imaginary first rolling contact plane ~~23~~ of the balls ~~{5}~~ per row ~~{9, 10}~~, which plane is concentric to the center axis and runs centrally through the balls ~~{5}~~, and comprising, respectively, an imaginary second rolling contact plane ~~{24}~~ of the rollers ~~{6}~~ per row ~~{9, 10}~~, which plane is concentric to the center axis and intersects the rollers ~~{6}~~ at the largest external diameter ~~{8}~~, in each of the rows ~~{9, 10}~~ the first rolling contact plane ~~{23}~~ being axially distanced from the second rolling contact plane ~~{24}~~ along the bearing center axis.
2. (Currently amended) The self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~{1, 15, 22}~~ as claimed in claim 1, in which the first rolling contact planes ~~{23}~~ from row ~~{9, 10}~~ to row ~~{9, 10}~~ lie axially closer together than the second rolling contact planes ~~{24}~~ from row ~~{9, 10}~~ to row ~~{9, 10}~~, whereby the first rolling contact planes ~~{23}~~ are disposed axially between the second rolling contact planes ~~{24}~~.

3. (Currently amended) The self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~(1, 15, 22)~~ as claimed in claim 1, comprising a first bearing load in which a first rolling circle ~~(23a)~~ per row, which encompasses the balls ~~(5)~~ at the external diameter ~~(28)~~ of the balls ~~(5)~~, is greater than a second rolling circle ~~(24a)~~ per row ~~(9, 10)~~, which encompasses the rollers ~~(6)~~ at the largest external diameter ~~(8)~~ of the rollers ~~(6)~~, and comprising a second bearing load in which the first rolling circle ~~(23a)~~ and the second rolling circle ~~(24a)~~ are equally large and at least the balls ~~(5)~~ are elastically inflexed at least radially, the second bearing load being greater than the first bearing load.
  
4. (Currently amended) The self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~(1, 15, 22)~~ as claimed in claim 1, in which per row ~~(9, 10)~~, in the peripheral direction about the center axis, respectively one of the balls ~~(5)~~ is adjacent to one of the rollers ~~(6)~~.
  
5. (Currently amended) The self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~(1, 15, 22)~~ as claimed in claim 3, in which the balls ~~(5)~~ have a smallest possible external diameter of the balls ~~(28)~~ and the rollers ~~(6)~~ have a largest possible external diameter ~~(8)~~ of the rollers ~~(6)~~ in each of the rows ~~(9, 10)~~, and in which, in each of the rows ~~(9, 10)~~, a largest distance ~~(33)~~ in the radian measure between two of the balls ~~(5)~~ which succeed each other peripherally and which are here mutually separated peripherally by at least one of the rollers ~~(6)~~ is respectively sufficiently small that, in a vertex ~~(35)~~ of a load zone ~~(36)~~ resulting from a highest one of the first bearing load, between an inner raceway ~~(13)~~ of the self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~(1, 15, 22)~~ and an outer raceway ~~(14)~~ of the self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~(1, 15, 22)~~ a radial distance ~~(34)~~ remains which is greater than the largest external diameter ~~(8)~~

of the rollers ~~{6}~~, the rolling elements ~~{11}~~ being disposed radially between the raceways ~~{13, 14}~~.

6. (Currently amended) The self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~{1, 15, 22}~~ as claimed in claim 1, comprising a cage ~~{4, 16}~~, the first row ~~{9}~~ and the second row ~~{10}~~ being jointly guided in the cage ~~{4, 16}~~.
7. (Currently amended) The self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~{15, 22}~~ as claimed in claim 1, comprising a cage ~~{16}~~, the first row ~~{9}~~ and the second row ~~{10}~~ being jointly guided in the cage ~~{16}~~ and a ball ~~{5}~~ of the first row ~~{9}~~ respectively being adjoined by a roller ~~{6}~~ of the second row ~~{10}~~.
8. (Currently amended) The self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~{1}~~ as claimed in claim 1, comprising a cage ~~{4}~~, the first row ~~{9}~~ and the second row ~~{10}~~ being jointly guided in the cage ~~{4}~~ and a ball ~~{5}~~ of the first row ~~{9}~~ respectively being adjoined by a peripheral gap ~~{12}~~ in the second row ~~{10}~~ between a roller ~~{6}~~ and a ball ~~{5}~~.
9. (Currently amended) A cage ~~{4, 16}~~ for at least one of the rows ~~{9, 10}~~ of the self-aligning antifriction bearing ~~{1, 15, 22}~~ as claimed in claim 1, which cage has ball pockets ~~{19}~~ with, respectively, a lateral opening ~~{21}~~, each of the openings ~~{21}~~ being configured on a side of the cage ~~{4, 16}~~ which is facing away from the other of the rows ~~{9, 10}~~, and a, in the tangential direction, free apertural measure ~~{25}~~ of the opening ~~{21}~~ being smaller than the external diameter ~~{28}~~ of the ball ~~{5}~~.

10. (Currently amended) The cage as claimed in claim 9, having respectively a flange {26} on a radially outward facing rim {19e} of each of the ball pockets {19}, the largest clear distance, at least between portions of the flange {26} which lie tangentially opposite one another in the peripheral direction and are in this case farthest removed from one another, being less than the external diameter {28} of the ball {5} in the pocket {19}, plus a greatest possible motional play {30}, free in the direction of the pocket {19}, between the pocket {19} and the respective ball {5} radially beneath the flange {26}, and the largest clear distance including a greatest possible free motional play {31} between the ball {5} and the flange {26}.
11. (Currently amended) The cage {4,16} as claimed in claim 10, in which the rim {19e} of each of the ball pockets {19} is formed by the flange {26} extending as far as the opening {21}.
12. (Currently amended) The cage {4,16} as claimed in claim 11, in which the flange {26} has an inner surface portion {26a} of a circular cylinder, the surface portion {26} facing the ball {5} in the pocket {19} and, peripherally, partially encompassing the ball {5} as far as the opening {21} and being described by a radius {27}.
13. (Currently amended) The cage as claimed in claim 12, the surface portion {26a} of which is bounded by two body edges, the body edges {39,40} facing the ball {5} in the pocket {19} and partially encompassing the ball {5} as far as the opening {21}, and the body edges {39,40} at the opening {21}, viewed transversely to the radius {27}, being farthest distant from one another and,

as the distance away from the opening ~~(21)~~ increases, viewed transversely to the radius ~~(27)~~, coming closer together.